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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: <u>APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING</u>.

Hosston A & B Zones, SAILES FIELD, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORPORATION ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston A Zone and to the Hosston B Zone in the Sailes Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize an additional alternate unit well for HOSS A SUL and for HOSS B SUL at the location shown on the attached plats, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 408-A, effective August 1, 1970.
- 2. To find that the additional alternate unit well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hosston A and B Zones underlying HOSS A&B SUL which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on such units.
- 3. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston A Zone in Sailes Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 408-A, effective August 1, 1970. The Hosston B Zone in Sailes Field, Bienville Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 408-A-1, effective February 18, 1971.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Energen Resources Corporation, 605 Richard Arrington, Jr., Boulevard North, Birmingham, Alabama 35203-2707. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Robert W. Plumb at (205) 326-2710 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

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As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the two (2) attached plats is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plats at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sailes Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

A check payable to the Office of Conservation and covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

David L. Smellev

Attorney for Energen Resources Corporation

DLS:dp Enclosures

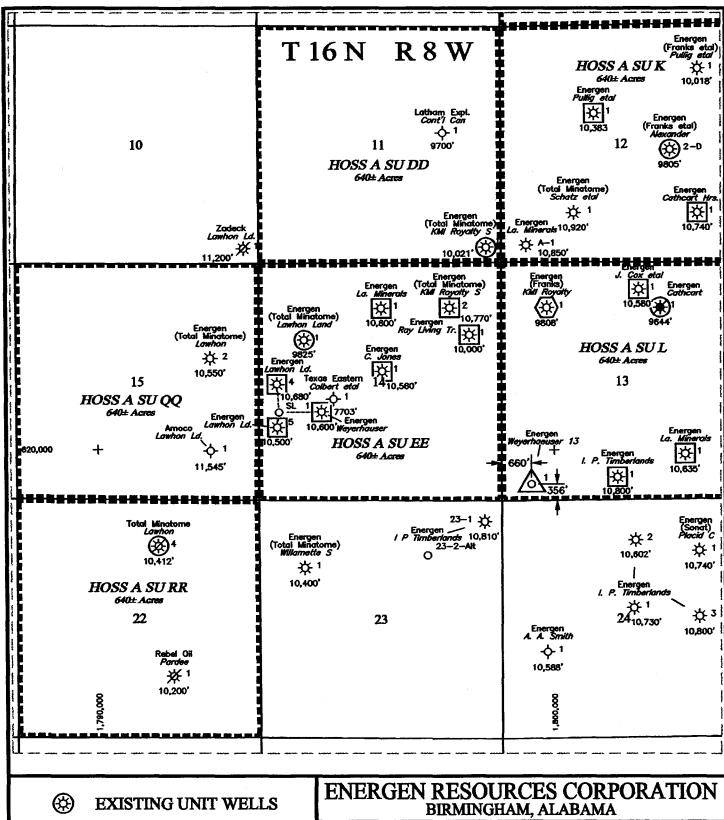
cc: Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.)

Mr. Bobby Plumb (w/encls.)

Mr. Craig Barclay (w/encls.)

Interested Owners, Represented

Parties and Interested Parties (w/plats only)



EXISTING SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELLS

EXISTING ALTERNATE UNIT WELLS

PROPOSED ALTERNATE UNIT WELL

EXISTING HOSS A UNITS

SAILES FIELD BIENVILLE PARISH, LOUISIANA UNIT PLAT HOSSTON A

0 2000' 4000' 1 Mile

